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Reduction of Municipal Expenditures in Land

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SUBJECT

Germany/Leipsig



- 1. Shortly before the end of January 1947 the SMA for Land Saxony issued an order for the Land Saxony government to out municipal expenditures. The measure is retrosotive to 1 January 1947.
- 2. In compliance with this order, the city of Leipzig has been ordered to reduce its budget by forty-two percent. This would mean the cossation of all building activities and a sharp reduction in personnel and relief payments. The city administration considers this reduction as endangering the very basis of its operations and is negotiating to obtain a revision of the order.

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Comment: The municipal income will remain the same as before, and a considerable surplus will result in the municipal treasury. Since any surplus is transferred to the SNA, source considers this order a new method of the Russians to obtain cash for the SMA.)

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